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"I think she is the most beautiful woman that I have ever seen," I said to Stephen Northfield, in a burst of enclapping that followed the last note of Ninta Valjugui's solo.

"Umph," grunted Norneid, as he person that I could see, in the whole of lightful in that Paradise. that packed house, that was not clapping.

"I have never heard her equal," I continued.

"Umph, do you think so? Maybe you have not heard or seen many?" he suggested.

"Nonsense, man! Has she not had New York at her feet, completely captivated, for the past two seasons?" I argued. For I was an ardent admirer of the bewitching Mexican soubrette who had astonished the musical world with her unprecedented rise to fame. Newspapers exploited her, harfily a week passing without her picture appearing in some edition; artists vied with one another in the attempt to induce her to pose for them; musicians raved over her. In three years from some insignificant Mexican bar-room stage she had risen to be the sensation of Broadway. A star that blinded the eyes of those who saw, a voice that drove into ecstasies those who heard; such was Ninta Valjugui. I felt disappointed with Stephen for his lack of enthusiasm. I thought that it showed an uneducated taste.

The applause increased like nearing thunder as she left the wings and acknowledged it with many bows and smiles; smiles that displayed her even teeth of ivory whiteness,

We left the theater, which was pouring its charge of humanity out upon two streets under me glare of a score of are lights, and sought a near-by

For some time we sat in silence sipping our "Yevette." The charm of Vallugui was still upon me. I sat thus, tu delightful contemplation, with half closed eyes, rehearsing inwardly what I had heard and seen. I awake from this dreamy state to hear Norfield BUYINGS

"I can go to Mexico and buy you her squal for \$20." This sucrilogious rudeness aroused me to make retort, which him, which he was too drunk to ap-I did, with more or less warmth. "Why don't you do it; fame and for-

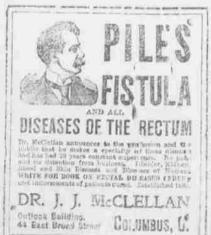
tune awalt you if you can?" "Cuph, unsophisticated man!" "be said, distainfully, shrugging his shoulders (I hated that notion). "I lived in Mexico for three years, you know, and had ample time to study them. Does the reason suit you?" he asked.

"No, it does not," I answered, curtly. "Be more explicit." "Well," he continued, "I remember the case of one of those little Mexican bar-room singers; it will serve as a good example and make clear my meaning." Selecting a cigarette, he ming half way across the stage. The lit it, and commenced the narrative.

"I had taken up my residence in a the City of Mexico.

"I had a small library of the autitors that I liked, a good plane and a gent of bands. a valet, a queer mixture of Japanese and Mexican, but a hancsome, attractive and intelligent man. Thus, you the crowd surged forward and looked see, I was surrounded by the things on. The girl, her eyes filled with terthat I appreciate and core for, A ror, sat where she had fallen and few friends was all that was necessary to complete my happy circle, and struggle. It was the hand of the Mexi-

these I soon formed. "Among those that I formed was a bad; but it was the hand of the Amer young American, similarly situated to lean which held the wrist of that hand, myself. I had become very much at which was good. For a few moments tached to him, and it is of him and his experience with one of those singers murderer's weapon was within an inch that I am about to tell you.



"During the day we would lie in the shade of the trees and read our favorite authors; he, Victor Hugo; I, Maupassant. As the day were on we would retreat, from this binocent diversion, before the heat, and map until the cooler afternoon. Upon awakening we would baths, and then for an hour we would play; he, upon the flute; I, upon the plano; we were both fair musicians in an amateur way. As the sun sank and night came on, he would take his leave, after arrang-

ing for the night's amusement. "Sometimes it was a visit to one of our aristocratic neighbors. Upon such occasions we were always called upon to provide the entertainment with our music. And our efforts were rewarded with iced drinks and perfumed cigarettes served by the black-eyed senor-

"Sometimes it was a party at the opera, after which we would visit one of the gorgeous, gilded and enameled thusiasm, amid the volume of hand- cafes, and sit down to a luncheon of indescribable, spicy dishes, and eat to the strains of a native band. Mexico is indeed the land of music, women shrugged his shoulders. He was the only and flowers. All is beautiful and de-

> "Then, sometimes our recreations would be less harmless. We would partially disguise and enter the lower quarters of the city. Entering some obscure retreat, we would sit at one of the tables and watch the masses amuse themselves, while sipping our drinks and listening to the song of some much berouged maiden singing to the twanging of a few mandolle and guitars played by musicians flux ingly dressed in reds, greens and yel ows. The songs would be toudly ap plauded by the patrens. Now an hen some half-drunken youth would climb upon the raised platform, upon which the singer stood, and attempt to kiss her, only to be rewarded with a box on the ears for his staggering endeavors. This always pleased the growd, who would jeer the escaping nalefactor and shout 'bravas' to the

"Upon one of the occasions of such an exploit we were seated at a table istening to the songs of the singerhe was more beautiful than any we and yet seen-wher a drunken tainer caped upon the stage in the midst of song, and, before the girl escape him, he seized her in his powerful arms and kissed her. As was customary, the crowd was pleased by this added attraction, and lent voice to its approval. But the girl must have thought otherwise, for she became as rigid as ice, ker lips trembled, and er eyes burned like living coals. Turn me loose, senor,' she said, tremuously. He kissed her again and held her at arm's length. Again she commanded him to release her, but he only laughed at her anger. A silence of expectancy had fallen upon the crowd, for this gave promise of something out of the ordinary. The musicians had stopped playing and watched the pair as intently as the darting gleams of deadliest hatred at proclate. Suddenly she spat full in his face. Hardly had she done so, when be crushed her to him and sank his dirty yellow teeth into her bare shoulder. As he tossed back his head and laughed at her agony, a stream of blood flowed down her chest and dyed the covering of her bosom a dark

"The crowd gasped; not so my friend-they were Mexicans, he was American. In a few bounds he was at the foot of the stage. He leaped upon it and dealt the brute a blow on the side of the head that sent him spingirl, almost in a faint, sank to the floor. With a smothered curse, the delightful country place just outside of Mexican recovered himself, and, drawing a gleaming machete, lunged at the introder, who met him with his bare

"In a trice they were locked in a deadly embrace. With opened mouths watched them, fascinated by the death can which held the knife, which was -they seemed ages-the point of the of the American's throat. If his already perspiring hand should slip and give but a fraction, it would mean the end. Gradually, though, the hand which held the knife was turned. Now it was turned completely around, and its point was nearing the other's throat. Fear of the most frightful sort, instead of hatred, was now stamped upon the face of the Mexican. The tables were turned; he was no longer the aggressor. Now he was fighting to save his own life, not to take another's. He made a superhuman effort to break the iron grip that held him. The knife blade receded comewhat, but it was a dying effort. His strength had fied with that last attempt. His resistance gave way. With a scream, that was cut short, he

sank to the floor. The blade had [Continued on fifth page.]

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